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While you walk around the Haliburton Curling and take in all the show has to offer, you'll also be able to speak to some of the experts who'll have all the answers to your questions. A beer tent with entertainment and food will also be on site.

Some of the other things that you will find at the event are: home and cottage inventions booth, Taste of Haliburton (local food producers), demo area stage in curling club, craft booths and a play area for children.

The hours the event is open is as follows: Friday 4 - 9 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. - 7 p.m., Sunday 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

For more information contact Wayne at 705 457-2892.



Help Send Kids to Camp

Tim Horton's Purchases on June 3rd Will Help Send Two Kids to Camp

If you go to Tim Horton's on Wednesday, June 3, proceeds from your purchases will go to help send two local kids to camp.

Through the annual fundraising day that is held every year at Tim Hortons locations across the country, kids from low-income families are sent to a camp at a location in Canada for a period of 10 days.

So drop by the Minden Tim Horton's any time during the day on June 3rd to help these deserving kids.

About Tim Hortons Camp Day

Wednesday, June 3, 2009 is a special day for Tim Hortons Store Owners, staff and customers. It's Camp Day! Camp Day is the one day a year when Tim Hortons Store Owners across Canada and the United States donate every penny from coffee sales to the Tim Horton Children's Foundation. In 2008, Camp Day raised more than \$9 million CDN (\$8.8 million U.S.).

What One Cup of Coffee Can Do

Every time a customer buys a coffee at Tim Hortons on Camp Day they will help send close to 14,000 kids - who could otherwise not afford it - on the camping adventure of a lifetime.

All children who attend one of the Foundation's six camps are selected from within the communities where Tim Hortons stores are located. Tim Hortons store owners work closely with local youth organizations and schools to select children, between the ages of nine and 12, to attend a 10-day summer camp session or seven day winter camp session.

"By purchasing a coffee on Camp Day, our customers give kids, who live in their very own community, an opportunity to experience a camping adventure that will inspire them for years to come," says Bill Moir, President, Tim Horton Children's Foundation. "Together we can continue to foster within thousands of children the quest for a brighter future."

Additional Fundraising and Special Guests

On Camp Day, customers can expect additional fundraising activities at many of their local Tim Hortons stores. For example, funds are also raised at some stores through a 'Rent-a-Tent' promotion where customers can personalize paper cut-out tents and post them in-store for a donation.

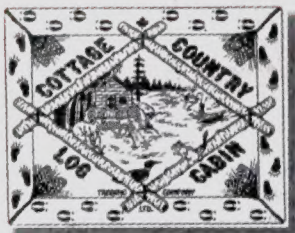
Other activities may include: indoor and outdoor games; silent auctions; face-painting; and drive-thru window washing. Some stores will invite special guests, including sports and media personalities, to greet customers and pour coffee throughout the day.

About the Tim Horton Children's Foundation

The Tim Horton Children's Foundation, a non-profit charitable organization founded in 1974, is committed to providing an enriched and memorable camp experience for children, who would otherwise not have the opportunity. Funding for the Foundation comes from year-round public donations collected through counter and drive-thru coin boxes located at over 3,400 Tim Hortons stores, Tim Hortons Camp Day, as well as other special events and donations. Since 1975, more than 120,000 children and youth have attended a Foundation camp.

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Grumpy's Back in Business

Spotlight on Business

By Mark Arike

Owners of Limo Service Reintroduce their Cab Company to the Community

In 2005, Stan and Carol Wilson decided to take a break from the rigorous taxi business. Since then they've still managed to keep busy with their limousine transportation service, Showtime Executive Transportation. But because of the high demand for taxis in the Highlands, this husband and wife team recently decided to revive Grumpy's Taxi.

"For the last three years we have been hassled by the townspeople, camp kids and others to get taxis back out on the road," explained Carol, when asked about the reasons for the return.

Carol and Stan first opened up Grumpy's Taxi in March of 1999.

It should come as no surprise that the two got involved with the transportation businesses – they've both been around vehicles for the better parts of their lives.

Stan's dad drove taxis for Beck's in Toronto's east end for 30 years, and Stan was in the towing and delivery business for many years. When Stan's father, who was called "Grumpy" by his grandkids, passed away, he left Carol one of his most prized possessions – a 1988



Oldsmobile 98. When Carol and Stan decided to start the cab company they went and named it Grumpy's in honour of him.

Along with reintroducing their taxi service to the county, the name of their business is changing to Grumpy's Taxi and Limousine Service.

"That way we're stating that we offer both services at the same place," said Carol of the name change.

For the past several weeks, the pair has been busy getting ready for their May 14th start-up date.

"We've purchased vehicles, gotten them certified, put phones in them... we've put out advertisements to let people know we're coming back," mentioned Carol.

It's clear to see that Stan and Carol are prepared to take on business and the busy times of the summer. In total they'll have 14 vehicles, including: two station wagons, four vans, three sedans, two Lincoln Town Car sedans and one Lincoln super stretch Town Car limousine. Two more Lincoln Town Cars are also on the way.

All the vehicles are smoke-free and safe (each car undergoes a safety inspection every six months). Stan and Carol also pride themselves on keeping their vehicles clean for each of their customers.

Carol adds that the drivers, who "make the business", are always willing to go out of their way to help a customer.

"They're helpful with seniors, they don't hesitate to help with groceries, or to help people in and out of the vehicles," explained Carol. "My drivers have always been very courteous."

Rates for trips will be based on kilometers driven, and a set rate will come into effect for a cab ride to destinations that are in town. A discounted rate for rides into Haliburton will be offered to residents of Parklane, Echo Hills, and Mountainview apartments.

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As always, Stan and Carol will continue to provide free rides to children if they get injured and need to go to the hospital.

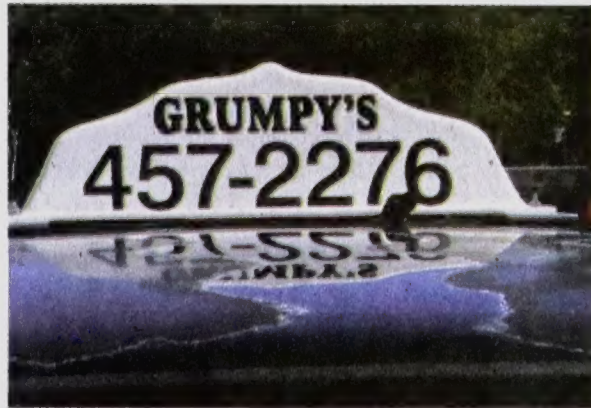
"If a child needs to go to a hospital it'll be free-of-charge," Carol explained, "we've always done that for parents."

The word seems to have spread quickly about the return of Grumpy's. Carol says the phone was ringing off the hook well before the May 14th launch date.

"The response has been excellent," she said.

As well as providing rides around the county, Stan and Carol can get you to places much farther away with both limos and cabs.

"We take people to places like Peterborough, Toronto, Lindsay and Orillia," Carol pointed out.



They'll also cater to special occasions, such as proms, casino trips and business outings.

After running Grumpy's the first time around, Stan and Carol learned a lot. In addition to discovering what works and what doesn't, they found that they enjoyed interacting with the public.

"We always had a lot of fun," said Carol. "We treated everyone like family. We have a good rapport with our customers."

So whether you're looking to go out for a night on the town, or are just looking to complete your errands and need transportation, call Grumpy's Taxi and Limousine Service at 705 457-2276.

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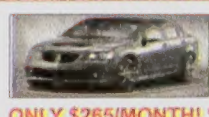
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Watercolours even has its own suite of clinic and treatment rooms where residents can receive physiotherapy, massages, acupuncture or any kind of basic medical assistance or therapy needed to help ensure independent living.

The Ontario Municipal Board has upheld Council's unanimous decision to approve the Watercolours of Haliburton project. This decision allows Mady Development Corporation and Symbol Communities to officially launch this aging-in-place retirement living project, located in the heart of Ontario's cottage country.

The partnership between two vastly experienced residential developers has conquered the price barrier that stood between potential purchasers and a worry free life. It taps into the treasure trove of existing lifestyle and wellness services in Haliburton County, about two hours north of Toronto.

Equally impressive is Watercolours itself, a dazzling five-storey mid-rise condominium on the banks of Head Lake where one-bedroom suites start as low as \$165,500.

"Watercolours is a unique approach that is based on need at various stages of life," explains Sharon Snitman, a partner in Symbol. "Haliburton has more than 75 different existing social, lifestyle and wellness services available within the community. What we have done is created a framework to easily identify and then tap into them and have them delivered right to residents on a pay-as-you go basis."

Central to the approach is an in-house lifestyle director who will inform residents of the array of services available to meet their specific needs and then arrange to have them delivered where and when residents need them. Those services might range from meals prepared at local restaurants and served in the graciously appointed Watercolours dining room or adjacent outdoor terrace to help with organizing and taking daily medication to creative activities such as art, music and dance.

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any kind of basic medical assistance or therapy needed to help ensure independent living.

"Another advantage is that residents will not face minimum hourly charges for services," says Ms. Snitman. "If massage therapy is \$26 an hour with a one hour minimum, the lifestyle directors can arrange group bookings so that if all a resident needs is 15 minutes that is all they pay for."

This unique approach to ensuring ageing in place in retirement has been received with both critical and commercial success in Haliburton, one of Ontario's best loved cottage country towns. The project launched last fall and about 70% of its 134 suites were reserved.

As spring is upon us, Watercolours is opening its presentation centre to accommodate the summer traffic. The project is proving a hit not just with local residents

wanting to break free from the burden of maintaining detached homes and cottages but also with retirees from other areas who have fallen in love with the area, the community and the cottage country lifestyle. It's an ideal opportunity to live in a dazzling new, safe and secure condominium surrounded by all the services one may require as they age.

Designed by Turner Fleischer Architects, Watercolours offers the complete range of suite sizes from one-bedroom units right through to penthouses that measure in at almost 1,200 square feet and include

two bedrooms and a den. All suites have balconies or walk-out patios. Prices start at \$165,500 and range up to \$355,900 on the lower

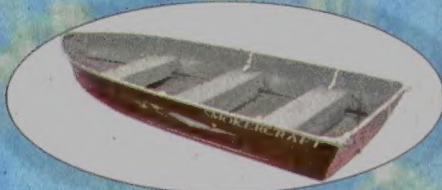
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It is worth the drive to Haliburton to see what the future can hold for those contemplating retirement.

The presentation centre is at 152 Highland Avenue. Hours are from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily and by appointment at other times. Telephone is 705-457-1200. Web site is www.watercolourscondo.com.



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With over 40 submissions, this show features an eclectic mix of pieces and an array of talents that include Art Hive artists and other well-known creative people in the community.

At the end of the exhibit on Saturday, May 30, at 7:00 p.m. there will be a live and silent auction at The Art Hive for the pieces that have been made out of items primarily found at the dump. Local wordsmith Ryan Dawson will be the emcee for the evening.

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For more information call the Minden Hills Cultural Centre at 705 286-3154.

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The Haliburton Farmers' Market will be holding an organizational meeting on Tues. May 26 at 7:30 pm at the Great Hall in Haliburton's Fleming College campus.

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Grannies to Grannies raise funds to support grandmothers in Africa who act as the sole caregivers to their grandchildren because their parents have died from AIDS.

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For more information just call Mickey at 705 286-2198.



See Local High School Students Take On a Challenge!

SIRCH's Chef-of-the-Month Continues at Foodland on Wednesday, May 27

You're invited to come out to a challenge on Wednesday, May 27 at 11 a.m. in Foodland in Haliburton!

This will be the eighth entry in SIRCH's Chef-of-the-Month challenge. This challenge, which first began last October, asks local area chefs to try and come up with meal plan for a day for a family of four on only \$6.50.

This month's chefs are Haliburton Highlands Secondary School students who are in the tourism and hospitality program. The students are eagerly awaiting the chance to put together a fabulous meal for taste-testing, as well as trying to meet the \$6.50 mark (or get as close to it as they can).

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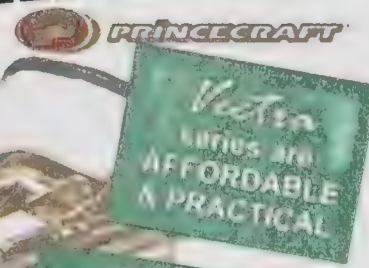
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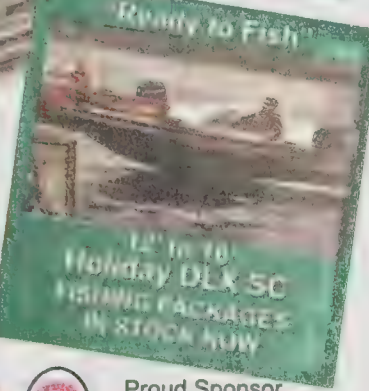


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Highlands Wind Symphony Hosts Annual Spring Concert

A group of talented, local performers have a show in store for you!

On Sunday, May 24 at 3 p.m. in the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion, the Highlands Wind Symphony will host their annual Spring concert.

This group will leave you in awe with their directors Glen Carter and Lori Reddering, and this year, guest conductor Dan Manley will accompany them.

The symphony program includes a Marches & Overtures theme, including: 'Sine Nomine' march by Ralph Vaughan Williams, 'Light Cavalry Overture' by Franz von Suppe and the stirring ceremonial military piece 'Vent d'Espoir' featuring Earl Cooper on the bagpipes and Rob Snelgrove on trumpet.

The brass members of the symphony will play two selections conducted by Dan Manley.

The Highlands Swing Band will again be playing, conducted by Judy Cole, with talented singer Jerelyn Craden who is back by popular demand.

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More local performers joining the group this spring are:

- Dan Manley, tuba virtuoso, plays a tuba solo, as well as guest conducting.
- Piano, clarinet and cello trio with well-known performers Melissa Stephens, Dave Hawley and Bethany Houghton.
- The accomplished Highlands Brass Quintet, all Wind Symphony members
- A string ensemble of local players conducted by Bethany Houghton

Tickets for the Spring Concert are available now at Master's Book Store, Haliburton and Pharmasave Drugstore, Minden. Adults are \$10, students are \$5 and families are \$25. (all seats reserved.)

For more information call 705 457-1671 or email wildwoodfarm@sympatico.ca.

About the Highlands Wind Symphony

Founded in 1998, the Highlands Wind Symphony is a volunteer community group of adult and student players. Under the co-direction of Glen Carter and Lori Reddering, these dedicated performers present a full concert bill three times a year ~ December, May and Summer. Some take place in the fabulous community venue, the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion, located in the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School beside the locomotive in Haliburton Village. The summer performance is open-air, riverside in Minden, as part of the popular Music by the Gull series.

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A Quaint Day in Kinmount

by Lynne Kilby

From 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. every Saturday from Victoria Day Weekend till Thanksgiving seize your opportunity to experience the exquisite flavour of Kinmount Farmers' Market. Opening for its 9th season on Saturday, May 16, you'll find the market nestled on the shores of Burnt River between historic Kinmount Railway Station and Austin Sawmill Heritage Park. Like the town square or village green of earlier times, Kinmount Farmers' Market provides a charming place to shop, linger and connect with the community. The market features an astounding array of organic and locally grown produce, herbs, shiitake mushrooms, plants, home baking, specialty breads, unusual preserves, herbal remedies, honey, candles, maple syrup, meats, beautifully hand crafted items and more.

Farmers' Markets are thriving throughout Ontario and Kinmount is no exception. Originally the market began with just a few vendors on Main Street. A move to Austin Sawmill Heritage Park a few years ago provided a beautiful setting with room for expansion. Now firmly established at its new location, the market has grown to an amazing 17 regular vendors. Along with various occasional vendors, they are ready to greet and serve every Saturday, come rain or shine.

Increased consumer awareness about food ingredients and where food comes from sees more and more people choosing Farmers' Markets as they strive to obtain nature's healthiest produce. Here they discover fresh food, high in quality and the next best thing to growing their own since most growers harvest their produce the day before or even just hours before taking it to market.

Another huge advantage of shopping at Kinmount Farmers' Market is being able to converse with vendors about the manner in which their product was grown or uniquely created. And of course there's the advantage of tasting before you buy. Many vendors proudly offer free samples for your tasting delight and often prove to be a rich source of information regarding preparation tips.

Kinmount Farmers' Market is a certified member of Farmers' Markets Ontario Association, who enforces strict guidelines mandating vendor grown and vendor produced products. New and occasional vendors reap the benefits of meeting their customers one-on-one. In addition to incredibly low overhead and financial advantages of selling directly to the public, vendors at Kinmount Farmers' Market experience immediate feedback on their products which allows them to make adjustments to meet customer demand. Vendors report Kinmount Farmers' Market is a wonderful place to have fun, earn income and meet people. Cost for a permanent space for the entire season is only \$100.00 or if you just wish to sell on occasion

the cost is \$20.00 each time. Those interested in becoming a vendor should call Marion at (705)-488-2612.

After exploring Kinmount Farmers' Market, discover the glorious gardens, picnic area, playground or walking trail at stunning Austin

Sawmill Heritage Park. Visit the Model Railroad Museum, the Tourist Information Booth or through July & August enjoy the displays of works by local artists, all located inside Kinmount Railway Station. A short walk in the opposite direction of the trail brings you to Kinmount Artisans Marketplace located in the lower level of Kinmount Community Centre. Come travel back to your roots. Enjoy a quaint day in Kinmount!



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Kinmount Kountry Jamboree

The Kinmount Kountry Jamboree is back for a second year in a row, and this time it's even bigger and better than the first time around!

On Thursday, June 26 at 9 a.m., the action will kick-off as the gates open to the Kinmount Fairgrounds for this weekend of entertainment that goes until Sunday, June 29.

There's a full line-up of country artists (both young and old) for the three evenings of music at the grandstand. Not only will you be able to listen to some great music, but you'll also have access to a number of other festivities.

Some of the other features of this event include: open mic sessions, a large collection of Canadian country album covers in the memorabilia museum and breakfast, and opportunities to eat breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Open mic begins on Thursday night at 7pm and runs until 11:00 p.m. It's also running from Friday - Saturday - Sunday from 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m and 11:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m.

There will also be a cash bar, 50/50 draws and door prizes!

You can also camp-out at this high energy event. There are campsites for 750 trailers with a tram service operating daily to transport campers from their sites to the events.

A weekend pass with camping goes for \$55 per person and a weekend pass without camping goes for \$30. You can also get a day pass for \$12 and children 12 and under are free.

To get your tickets call Marsh Dudman at 705 488-2540 or Greg Barrington at 705 454-1494. You can also order tickets online at www.ambrec.com/kinmount/main1.html, or you can make cheques payable to: Kinmount Agricultural Society. Mail them to: Kinmount Kountry Jamboree/Kinmount

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Some of the Featured Artists

Robin Edgar - Takin' It in the Heart

Singer Song/writer Robin Edgar has recently recorded his 2nd Album with Ambassador Records - "Takin' It In The Heart". This CD is a great reflection of his ability and of his song writing.

These songs are a reflection of where he has been at certain times both emotionally and spiritually on his journey.

Robin has been entertaining for many years and lives in the Belleville area. Robin will be a feature on the main stage of the Kinmount Kountry Jamboree.

Brenda Lynn

Brenda Lynn comes from eastern Ontario and is a fabulous performer. She was a guest on the Classic Country Music Reunion show in 2006 with great reviews from the fans. Brenda recorded her first album "At Last" with Mel Aucoin and Tod Nolan and it is a wonderful CD for the fans to enjoy.

Brenda Lynn will be featured at the Kinmount Kountry Jamboree Saturday June 27th, 2009.

Norm Post

We are privileged to have Norm back this year as a special guest at the Kinmount Kountry Jamboree.

Norm is a pioneer in Canadian country music having performed for several years with the well known "Singing Post Family".

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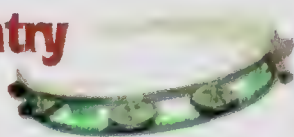
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Kinmount Kountry Jamboree



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For the past several years Norm has been enjoying a successful solo career. We will be enjoying Norm as he performs on the Saturday evening Main Stage, the Sunday morning Gospel program and as the guest M.C. for our Sunday evening line-up!

Naomi Bristow - The Yodeling Cowgirl

Naomi Bristow, now 11 years old, will be making her second appearance at the Kinmount Kountry Jamboree in 2009.

What a year this young lady has had! Her first CD, "Cowboy Sweetheart", was such a huge success that Naomi recorded a second CD in October of 2008 - "The Yodeling Cowgirl".

She has made two guest appearances on Breakfast Television in TO, performed at a number of Jamborees, plowing matches and other special events, and this year is promising to be another huge year for Naomi!

With professionalism well beyond her years, Naomi is a pleasure to work with. She has become a crowd favourite with her singing and yodeling ability.

Naomi will be featured on Saturday evening at the Kinmount Kountry Jamboree.

Mike Korpi

Passion for music was evident at a very early age. Mike had drum sticks in his hands by age 7 and was making a living as a drummer and singer by the time he was in his late teens. Mike's vocals have a depth that will reach into your soul and his ability to deliver a song will tug at your heart. Whether it is classic country or new country that Mike is singing, there is no doubt that he is a "country boy". Mike also shares his talents with his sister, Canadian Country recording artist, Cathy Korpi, as her drummer.

Mike Pollard - Hickerbilly

'Hickerbilly', was released in November of 2006. The new album features 8 Pollard originals and has proved to be another hit to fans. After only 6 weeks of sales it turned out to be the number one local/independent release of all 2006! This album is enjoying success all around the globe and has been consistently taking the number one spot on local sales charts since its release.

Mike Pollard has shared the stage with many of Canada's top legends and spent time in Nashville in 2006 and 2007 networking and even performing on Broadway at Robert's Western World and the World Famous Tootsie's Orchid Lounge. He has always been dedicated to tradition and is always striving to provide excellent entertainment to his fans with his multi-talented band.

Mike will be closing on Saturday evening at the Kinmount Kountry Jamboree.

The Good Lovelies Live in Concert Haliburton County Folk Society Hosts Pop-Folk Show

The Good Lovelies are coming to Haliburton!

On Friday, May 29, at 8 p.m. the Haliburton County Folk Society (HCFS) will host this wonderful pop-folk show at the Haliburton Museum.



Sporting a medley of instruments from guitar to banjo and mandolin to bass - this two-time award-winning pop-folk trio will woo and amuse you. A combination of clever song writing, witty repartee and bang-on three-part harmony will keep your toe-tapping and your heart aflutter long after the show is over.

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Cranberry Cottage is Back

By Mark Arike

Ruth Robinson has spent the last few years operating her "eclectic shopping" store in the town of Bracebridge. Business there went well, but after thinking long and hard about it, she decided to return to the Highlands, the place where Cranberry Cottage got its start.

"I wouldn't take the business anywhere else," said Ruth about her return to the area. "Haliburton is my home."

Cranberry Cottage is a store that features a number of items that are ideal to use around the home or cottage. From artistic prints to beauty care products, fashion accessories to a few antique furniture pieces, this cozy shop carries a diverse assortment of affordably priced goods.

So where did this store get its start?

In 1996 Ruth opened up her first Cranberry Cottage store across the street from Emmerson Lumber in Haliburton. Prior to opening up the store, she ran Rachel's Bakery, which also was in Haliburton.

Ruth isn't originally from the Highlands, but she's been here for quite some time. She moved to Port Perry in 1989. While in Port

the area from Perry she was also involved in the operation of a bakery business.

So why did Ruth go from the food industry to the retail business? She says it was time for a change.

"It allows me to be more creative," she explained. "It's just more up my alley and I find it fun."

Near the end of 2003, Ruth spotted an opportunity that would allow her to expand the Cranberry Cottage business.

"There was a spot in Bracebridge on the main street that became available. In February of 2004 I opened a store there," she said.

For two years she was kept busy with both stores. In December of 2005 she opted to close the Haliburton store in order to reduce her workload.

"I decided that I didn't want to work quite that hard," she recalled.

Then about a year ago, Ruth developed a yearning to return to the county. She says she missed the people and the feeling of closeness that a tight-knit community has. She ended up selling her home in Bracebridge and began building her dream home in Haliburton with her husband John.

This past March, Ruth started to lease the building where her store is now (located at 162 Highland St.). The move, she says, surprisingly wasn't that hard to make.

"I started to bring some of the small items over with me from the Bracebridge store," she explained, "then I had movers take the rest of the stuff. It took me about a week to set it all up."

As soon as the doors opened at the new store during the Easter weekend, Ruth began to hear from people who were overjoyed to find out that she was back in town.

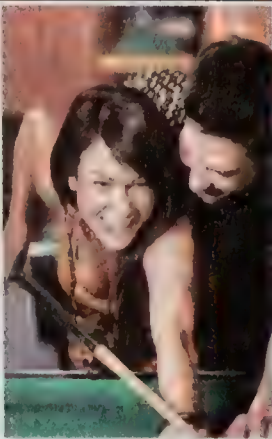
"The response has been really good," she said. "It makes you feel good to get such a wonderful warm response."

Those who have come around to show Ruth their support have included locals and cottagers, many of whom used to shop at her old Haliburton store.

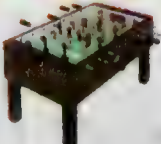
Even two former employees of Ruth's have returned to help her make a comeback.

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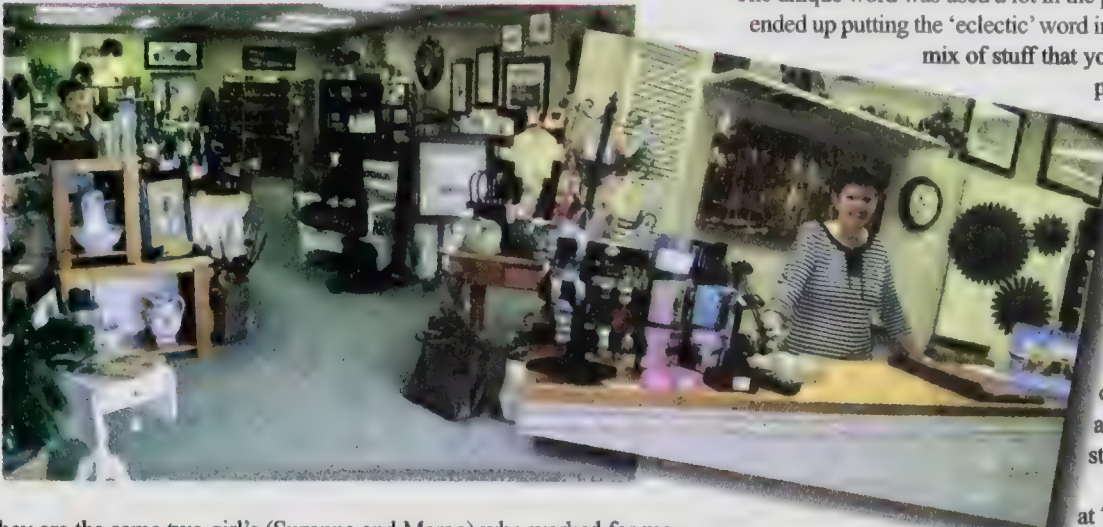
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Owner of Eclectic Store Closes Bracebridge Location and Returns to the Highlands

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"They are the same two girl's (Suzanne and Margo) who worked for me for most of the 10-year period when I was here," Ruth pointed out. "They have been great, we have a really good time together."

Over the years, Ruth has noticed a few changes in shopping trends. As a result, she's had to adapt to those trends.

"Styles have changed over the years," she said. "People used to be into items that were more country (i.e. folk art, teddy bears). What I carry now as opposed to what I used to carry is quite different. There's more of an emphasis placed on home décor."

At Cranberry Cottage, some of the many items that you will find include Crabtree & Evelyn body and skincare products, Derek Alexander leather handbags, Elle lunch bags, bathrobes, jewelry, candles, placements and napkins.

Some other unique merchandise that Ruth also carries includes earth rugs and greeting cards.

As for her plans for the future, Ruth has got a couple of ideas floating around in her head.

"Closer to Christmas I'm considering having event evenings," she explained. "It would be a time when I'd have the store open to a group of

friends who want to socialize, have a good time and see what's in the store. The store would be decorated, there would be snacks and we could do gift wrapping for the groups."

So whether you live in town, or are one of those people who are just stopping through, odds are you'll find something that'll tickle your fancy at Cranberry Cottage.

"The unique word was used a lot in the past to describe my other store. I ended up putting the 'eclectic' word in my signage now. There's a real mix of stuff that you can find here, and I think that people have fun with that," said

Ruth, who plans on staying in Haliburton – this time for good.

"It feels good to be here. My friends and family are here so it's nice."

Cranberry Cottage is now open seven days a week. So drop-in, say hi and see what you can get for yourself, a friend or a loved one in this one-of-a-kind store.

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It's Happening in Kinmount!

by Lynne Kilby

Kinmountians are sure to be proud of the new addition soon to beautify our downtown core in commemoration of Kinmount's 150th Anniversary – a mural of Main Street Kinmount circa 1900. Created in monochromatic colours by local artist Brenda Mulholland, the mural is now well underway and will be mounted on the south wall of the Kinmount Post Office in the very near future. Brenda's mock up of the mural recently went for \$550.00 at the Kinmount Committee for Planning & Economic Development's Annual Dinner Auction. To view other works by Brenda visit Kinmount Artisans Marketplace.

For meeting night activities on April 27, girls of the 1st Kinmount Unit of Sparks, Brownies, Guides & Pathfinders proudly completed their annual clean up around Kinmount Cenotaph. Then our main street, public spaces and ditches became cleaner thanks to the efforts of participants who gave Kinmount a spring makeover at Town Pitch-In Day on May 2. Demonstrating true Kinmount pride and their commitment to improving our environment, participants were thankful for the beautiful morning and delicious refreshments.

Please note Kinmount Legion is rescheduling the Dinner & Auction advertised for May 23 to a date later this summer. As well, Lunch at the Legion is cancelled for Tuesday, May 26 only, due to a previously scheduled event.

Baseball/T-ball for kids begins June 1 from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at St. Patrick's Field and will continue Monday & Wednesday evenings throughout the summer. Plans to organize a field trip to catch some high quality baseball are in the works. Registration sign up sheets are available at Kinmount Freshmart. Volunteers are needed. Please contact Dave Marshall at 488-2237 or Glen Weiler at 488-1513.

Registration is now taking place for Yoga Classes being held during the month of June on Tuesdays from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. at Kinmount Community Centre. Cost for the month is \$35.00 or \$10.00 per class. Contact Janet Dalzell at 488-2630.

Upcoming Events:

May 16 - Friends of the Library Book Sale, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., lower level of Kinmount Public Library. Who knows what treasure you may discover! Donations of good used books may be dropped off at anytime in the bin located by the lower doors.

May 16 - Kinmount Farmers Market opens for its 9th season, 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. at Austin Sawmill Heritage Park.

May 16 & 17 - Kinmount Model Railroad & Museum at Kinmount Railway Station re-opens for the season every Saturday & Sunday.

May 16, 17 & 18 - Kinmount Artisans celebrates its 10th Anniversary. Purchases over \$10 entitle customers to a free draw ticket on a beautiful quilt. The market, located in the lower level of Kinmount



Community Centre is full of surprises that are sure to delight you.

May 20 - Enjoy Big Buck Bid Euchre, 11:00 a.m. at Kinmount Legion. Cost is \$10 per person which includes a delicious lunch.

May 30 - Yard Sale For the Cure @ Re/Max Country Living Office, Kinmount. Don't miss the out on this annual yard sale hosted by Re/Max Country Living Realty Inc., 4980 Monck Road (Hwy. 45 West). Re/Max invites you to get involved in this most worthy cause to support breast cancer research by volunteering, shopping, donating good used items or being a vendor. Space is available for a minimum donation of 20% of profits earned. Book your spot now. Contact Dianne Spring at 488-3000.

May 30 - Kinmount United Church hosts its annual Hot and Cold Buffet at Kinmount Community Centre, serving from 4:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Tickets available at the door. For further information call 488-2687.

Please call me at (705) 488-2919 or e-mail me at lynne.kilby@sympatico.ca to share news or advertise an event or activity. See you in Kinmount!!!

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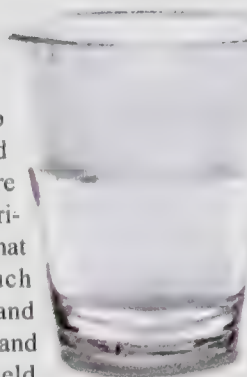
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-Martin Seligman, Learned Optimism

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Come and ramble along the Rail Trail at Koshlong Lake Rd. with a group of friends on Sunday, May 31 at 2 p.m.

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It is suggested, as with any outdoor activity, you should come prepared. Bring things such as: snacks, water, binoculars, cameras, bug spray and a pair of dry socks. Pack out what you pack in. Dogs must be on a leash.

Ramblers participate entirely at their own risk. The Haliburton County Rail Trail (HCRT) is a former railway line, which is now a recreational railway.

For more information about this ramble call Beth Madole at 705 457-9324.

Rail Trail Rambles have been going on, this season, since the beginning of April. The rambles are informal 1 - 5 km walks that allow participants to discover HCRT in the company of friends, family and neighbours.

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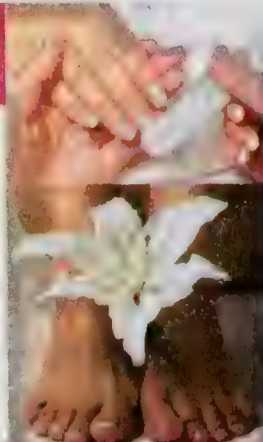
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This event, which is hosted the Haliburton Highlands Cycling Coalition, will take place at Head Lake Park in Haliburton.

Please call Sue Shikaze to register at 705 457-1391.

For a list of more Cycling Coalition events visit www.cyclehaliburton.ca.

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The Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit can help you answer that question. Free water testing is available for people who live in Haliburton County, Northumberland County or the City of Kawartha Lakes and rely on a well as their source of drinking water.

Pick up a water testing bottle and kit from any Health Unit office. Follow the instructions and return the filled bottle and completed forms. The Health Unit will forward the samples to the provincial lab in Peterborough, which tests the water. The lab will mail the results back to you within a few days, or you may choose to pick up or phone the Peterborough lab directly to find out the results. Well Water Testing Drop-off Times & Locations - Haliburton County

Haliburton: HKPR District Health Unit office, 191 Highland Street, Unit 301, Haliburton Village - Water samples can be dropped off Monday to Thursday from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. In cases of statutory holidays, you may want to call the office first at (705) 457-1391 as the drop-off times may change.

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To learn more about drinking water safety, contact the HKPR District Health Unit toll-free at 1-866-888-4577 or visit www.hkpr.on.ca/healthy-environments-mast.asp?id=35.

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As water from natural springs is usually cold and clear, springs are often thought to be safe sources of water.

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Based on these unknown factors, untreated spring water cannot be considered as safe for drinking and should be treated the same way as other untreated sources of water, such as lakes or streams.

Satisfactory bacteriological results from occasional tests done on spring water does not mean that the water is safe for drinking. The Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit does not recommend using water from natural springs unless it has first been boiled at a full rolling boil for a minimum of one minute.

For more information about natural spring water, call the Environmental Health department of the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit.

Adapted from information produced by the Muskoka-Parry Sound Health Unit.



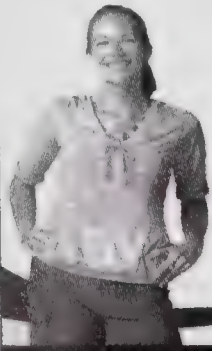
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The Ghost of Freddy Jackson



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Freddy Jackson

This intriguing photo, taken in 1919, was first published in 1975 by Sir Victor Goddard, a retired R.A.F. officer. The photo is a group portrait of Goddard's squadron, which had served in World War I aboard the HMS Daedalus. (Click the photo at left to see the entire photograph.) An extra ghostly face appears in the photo. In back of the airman positioned on the top row, fourth from the left, can clearly be seen the face of another man. It is said to be the face of Freddy Jackson, an air mechanic who had been accidentally killed by an airplane propeller two days earlier. His funeral had taken place on the day this photograph was snapped. Members of the squadron easily recognized the face as Jackson's. It has been suggested that Jackson, unaware of his death, decided to show up for the group photo.



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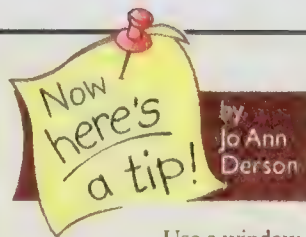
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-- P.L. in Ohio

Another busy family tip: "On the door from our garage to the house, my husband used both magnetic paint and chalkboard paint. It's the door we use most to come in, and we write notes to one another there." -- K.S. in Wisconsin

Children's art can be used in many ways: laminated as a place mat, temporary bookmark, stationery for family members or decoration for gifts (when cut and pasted onto plain-color wrapping paper).

Go Green Tip: When cooking, use the size pot that fits the burner, or the burner that is the best size for the pot. A 6-inch pot on an 8-inch burner wastes more than 40 percent of the burner's heat, according to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

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Minden's Pine Ridge Estates Accepting Neighbors

By Terrance Gavan

Pine Ridge's First Couple Speaks To New Housing Trends

A burgeoning cottage demographic is adding vibrancy to downtown cores in Minden, Haliburton, and a full swath of other small towns in cottage country.

That expanding demographic?

Well, it consists of a rising retinue of retired cottagers who are finding their present waterfront space just a little too daunting. It's a group that needs to move, is ready for a change, and yet, is not prepared to gravitate away from an area that has become their home.

They curl here, they play golf or tennis, they belong to clubs, they are members of

municipal boards, they attend church, and they have nurtured a good life amongst like-minded souls, sound friends, and a welcoming, vibrant community.

No too long ago, retired cottagers would have been forced to look elsewhere in search of suitable housing options. Somewhere like Lindsay or Peterborough, or far-flung suburban communities closer to the GTA. That would have meant leaving friends and family and a place that feels like home.

No longer though. On the backdrop of a dappled cottage country horizon, salvation shines.

Just ask Joan and Ross Davies, the first couple to take residence in Minden's new Pine Ridge Estates, a development that developer Claudio Bortolussi said required a great leap of faith to first imagine, and then bring

to fruition. "When we first arrived, no one believed us," smiles Bortolussi, looking around at the prepared acreage of what will eventually become a three stage, 76-unit project.

But happen it did, and no question, it's one of those success stories that demands kudos for a trio of young developers who are riding this whim and dream - on the property of the former Wright's Farm on Deep Bay Road in Minden - to a very vivid reality.

Bortolussi, along with partners Gino Capozzoli and Gustavo Rojas, manage Highland Park Homes, and BorCap Developments, and they are understandably proud of Pine Ridge Estates. They are also pretty happy that they could offer some solace to the Davies family - and 14 other ecstatic homebuyers who have committed to Phase One purchases at Pine Ridge thus far.

Capozzoli and Bortolussi first met in 1999 on the building site of the famous "London Pub" in

Richmond Hill. Realizing immediately

a shared passion for building and renovations - along with

a strong history of experience, and education in civil engineering - they decided to partner up. It's been a fruitful and eventful partnership culminating here in the Highlands with Pine Ridge Estates.

They take pride in their work - and are on site with every house - but perhaps more important, they are most enlivened by the very real input they are having in this community.

According to Bortolussi, this foray into alternative "in-town housing" is an idea whose time has come, and he is quite ecstatic about the prospect of this development - which now has four homes occupied and 15 sold - and what it means for the Town of Minden. "A lot of small towns have no housing," says Bortolussi.

That came as a surprise to him, but it's been a long-established problem both in Minden and Haliburton. Bortolussi and Capozzoli noticed a need for niche housing and they ran with it, in spite of some wonky looks and comments from long time residents who assumed that Highland Park Homes would disappear like several other developers had done in the past.

But they made the commitment and they stayed. They saw a niche and they liked it. Bold strokes from some guys who would never take 'no' for an answer.

Their stamp is indelibly etched into every aspect of this project. They are giving prospective buyers and long time Highlands' residents like Joan and Ross Davies a vibrant option. An in-town living option. A multi-faceted community. A place to retire or a place to raise kids away from the suburbs and the city. Pine Ridge fills a need.

Joan and Ross resided for many years on Horseshoe Lake, but as they meander into their golden years, concerns over property upkeep, winter roads, and the need for handy access to healthcare and other amenities brought Joan and Ross to a crisis at the crossroads.

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Minden's Pine Ridge Estates

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Even five years ago, Joan and Ross would not have the full range of options and opportunities that are now blossoming in cottage country. (Maple Ridge Estates is on a rising cusp of a growing trend that seeks to add alternative living space in smaller rural hubs like Haliburton, Bracebridge, and Parry Sound.)

When it came time to make that life-affirming decision, Joan and Ross chose Pine Ridge Estates, a venue situated neatly in cottage country, near friends and close to a community that they have come to love.

Joan and Ross moved into their new home in February and, in an interview with the County Voice at that time, said that working with the Pine Ridge Estate staff - including Bortolussi, Capozzoli and Rojas - was a "delightful experience." (The subdivision's houses are named for local lakes like Horseshoe, Soyers, and Maple and fittingly Joan and Ross chose the Horseshoe model home.)

The Davies had lived on Horseshoe Lake since 1991, and now fully ensconced in their new home, they can continue to nurture the friends and lifestyle they have grown accustomed to, and more importantly, maintain a residence with less onerous upkeep. "Old age," was how Joan succinctly placed their reasons for moving to Pine Ridge Estates.

When one considers that small towns are losing their Main Streets, it's becoming increasingly obvious that centrally located housing is necessary to restore a bold and effervescent presence in the downtown cores. This development may be the jump-start Minden needs to reestablish a vibrant business growth in the downtown core, an area that must be addressed as Minden celebrates 150 years of incorporation.

Development in recent years has moved to the highway strip of Highway 35 and this has caused a downturn in business on 'Main Street.' Say what you will, but small towns in today's hard market economy live and die downtown. It's a fact playing across the vast panoply of rural Canada, from the prairies to both coasts.

Pine Ridge Estates, would look then, to be a forthright step in a forward direction. A link to restoring a vibrant Main Street and a link that could open businesses to the full gamut of a year round economy, which is the tug that draws businesses to cottage country and especially to Main Street.

Now, open-minded developers like Highland Park Homes are seizing the day and providing that hinged link into communities that are more centrally located and friendlier to people who just don't have time to manage a full-fledged lakefront property, but who would still like to live in cottage country.

And of course, lest one get the wrong idea, Pine Ridge Estates is open to anyone with a hankering to move to the Highlands, where the aspect of a short 10 to 15 minute drive will get you to one of 5 beautiful golf courses, alpine and cross country skiing, numerous hiking trails, snowmobiling, mountain biking, an RV experience, wilderness tours and too-numerous-to-mention pristine lakes with all of that attendant spring, summer and fall, canoeing, kayaking and boating.

So make no mistake, Pine Ridge Estates offers certain solace to the golden age demographic, but it also caters to people and households that want to make the move to cottage country for business, work, artistic, retirement or familial considerations. People with kids looking to escape the smog, gridlock and interminable grind of the GTA and environs.

Pine Ridge Estates is the ideal neighborhood for young families to raise their children, and it is a warm accommodating place for mature couples to enjoy the serene beauty of Minden's surroundings.

The subdivision covers 60 acres - originally the Wright Farm. Located



along Deep Bay Rd. at Highland Gate Boulevard, it's just a five-minute walk from downtown Minden, and close to the placid River Walk along the Gull. It's close to Minden Hospital, Archie Stouffer Elementary School, and many of the town's shopping centres.

"No one believed that this would happen, and no one really believed that we would bring this development, but here we are today," smiles Bortolussi, on site at Pine Ridge, which is moving forward on schedule in spite of a grueling and long winter of 2008-09. When completed, Pine Ridge Estates will contain 76 homes ranging in size from 1300 to 1800 square feet.

Bortolussi, Capozzoli and Rojas would like to invite all Highlands residents and visitors to a Canada Day Open House and BBQ celebration. Tentative date for that celebration is slated for Saturday July 4th and Sunday July 5th from 11:00 am to 4 pm.

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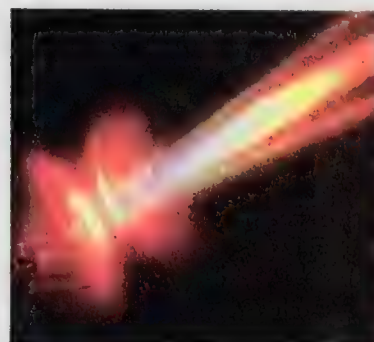
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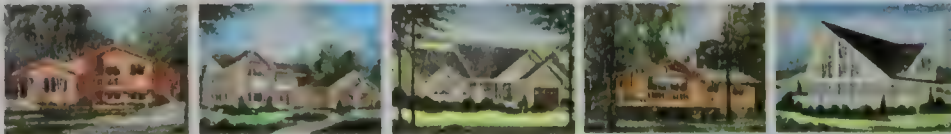


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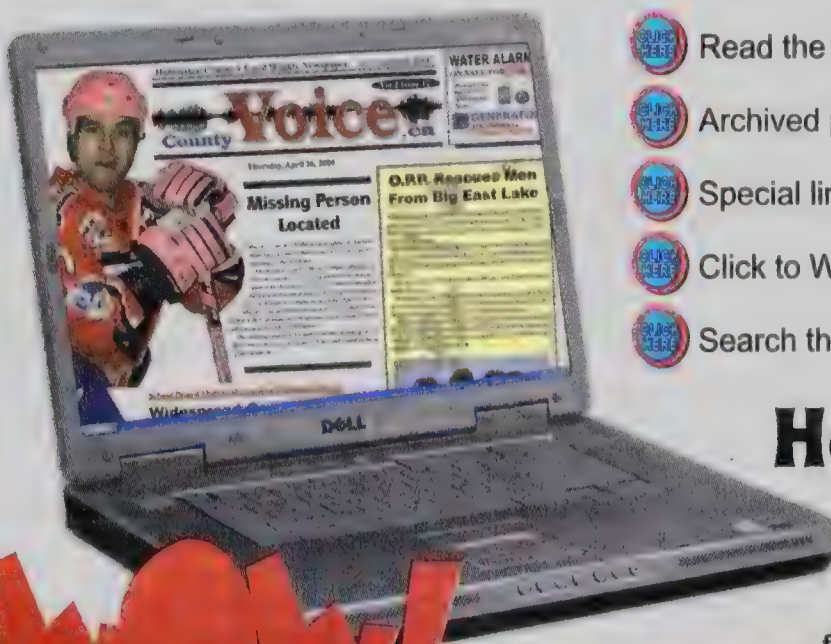
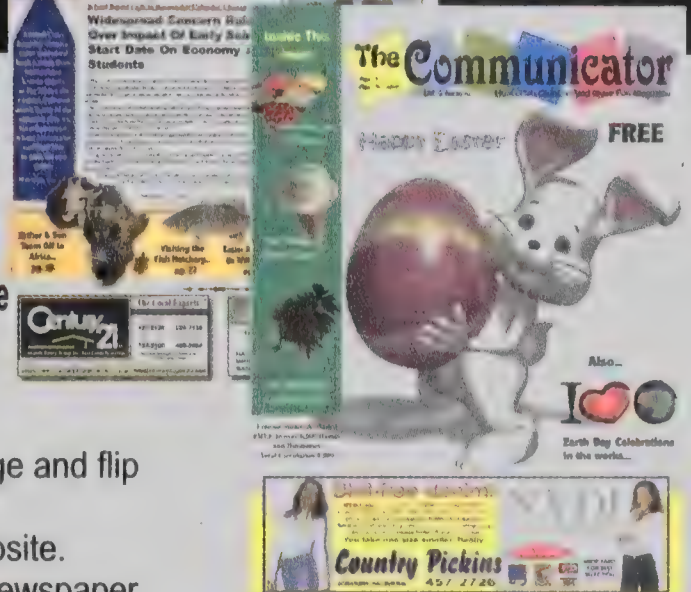
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A Lazy Boy Excursion Runs Amok

By Terrance Gavan

In the town of Halcyon and beyond he was known mostly as Languid Landy.

His real name was Landon Jeans-Jacques Thoreau and he migrated to Halcyon, Manitoba after a stint in the Vietnam War back in 1968. He was a former Top Gun pilot.

My first writing assignment with the Halcyon Packet and Time, back in 1985, was an interview with Languid Landy who had something up his sleeve for May 24th weekend.

I arrived at his ranch on a sunny day mid-May. "Follow me," said Landy, steering me toward a brown leather Lazy Boy recliner sitting just behind the shed in the back of his Ford pickup.

The truck was surrounded by a wide assortment of large balloons, largely deflated.

"What's this?" I smiled. A leather Lazy Boy recliner was perched on a pedestal, and on the platform were several impeccably soldered weld joints with hooks attached.

"It's my Victoria Day project," said Landy. "I bought 50 weather balloons. I'll be filling them with helium and attaching them to the Lazy Boy on May 24th. I'll be up there for most of the day with my camera, snapping pictures of the parade, the pancake breakfast and the slo-pitch tournament at Halcyon Field."

"How high will this thing go?" I asked, mentally doing some rapidly

ballooning numbers.

"High enough," laughed Landy. "Oh ... I figure about 100-200 feet tops, give or take. I'll have a cooler of beer, sandwiches, a two-way radio, and my pellet gun for gettin' her down. Don't look so befuddled Gav. I used to

pilot jet fighters for the US Navy, so I think I can handle a Lazy Boy floating leisurely at 150 feet."

Languid Landy's launch proceeded on schedule, and at 6 am on Friday May 24th, about 250 interested onlookers had gathered at the Halcyon baseball diamond. News traveled fast in Halcyon, Manitoba. Crazy traveled faster.

Tommy Sigfusson was busy at a bank of four helium tanks, filling the balloons and attaching them to the central tether. The Jonasson twins were hard at it, checking the grounding straps that held the now lolling Lazy Boy to the bed of Landy's Ford pickup. Landy was tying down his cooler, camera, and radio to the pedestal. The pellet gun

was tucked tightly alongside.

As the balloons were added, I noticed the suspension on the anchored truck lifting. It looked ominous to my untrained eye.

I approached Languid Landy a bit sheepishly. "Landy, are you sure you did the math on this one?" I asked.

"Hah ... math, schmath," laughed Languid Landy. "I did some rough figuring on a napkin. Gav, who's the freakin' pilot here anyway? I landed F-16s on a carrier deck ... you're worried about me, a Lazy Boy and a few balloons?"

Halcyon Mayor Sigmur Peturson was on hand to perform the countdown

"See you all at 4 pm," said Languid Landy, strapping himself into his Lazy Boy. Ragnur Sigmundson was ready in the bed of the pickup with a machete in hand; ready to cut the tethering rope.

"Three, two, one ... liftoff!" yelled Mayor Peturson.

And Languid Landy lifted off.

An understatement; as it turned out.

It was the most visually stunning, completely silent, rocket launch I have ever seen. It was in a word: "Unfreakingbelievable!"

Landy and his Lazy Boy, released from tethers, rocketed skyward toward near space at close to mach four.

"Holy crap!" screamed Ragnur who was thrown from the back of the shuddering Ford pickup at liftoff.

Five hundred heads snapped heavenward - 23 of Halcyon's older residents had to be hospitalized for sudden onset whiplash.

Up Landy went, followed by a whispered rush of gasped air from a formidably stunned and impressed retinue of onlookers.

He disappeared like a marble from a slingshot, and was devoured to diminished ant-sized speck within a second and a half.

Landy passed 5,000 feet in a blur; soared past 10,000 in a wink; and finally leveled off at close to 15,000 feet.

I swear to god: it was nothing short of breathtaking!

Details get a little shaky after that. Because his only safety net, the pellet gun, shook loose 50 feet into his upward journey. I ran to the radio in the truck cab.

"Landy, where are you?" I screamed into the mike. "Well, I'm leveled at about 15,130 feet according to my altimeter, and I think my gun is missing," said Landy. "Get me the hell down; it's getting damn cold up here."

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We scrambled four Cessnas from Halcyon field and flight instructor Thor Gudmundson was the first to spot Languid Landy. Fortunately, Thor had gone up with a rifle.

Unfortunately for poor ol' Languid Landy, it was a twelve gauge double-barreled shotgun loaded with double-aught magnum number-5 wide spreading buckshot.

Thor leveled off, took aim, and, slightly panicked, let loose with both barrels at the weather balloons holding Languid Landy and his Lazy Boy aloft.

The spread of lead popped an amazing 45 of the 50 balloons.

If Languid Landy had gone up in a hurry, it was nothing compared to his rate of descent on the next leg of that stunningly awe-inspiring journey.

We thought we heard a sonic boom as Languid Landy careened toward mass downward trajectory, but it could have been the reverberation of the double aught magnum retort.

Miraculously, Languid Landy's Lazy Boy slowed down and leveled off at about 400 feet. Two of the remaining five balloons seemed to have suffered collateral damage and were drooping. I quickly made a mental note: Three balloons not fifty would have done the trick.

Languid Landy seemed to be in shock. We could hear strained refrains of the Air Force anthem: "Off we go ... into the wild blue yonder ... off we fly ... into the air!"

Landy and his Lazy Boy were floating just above Halberston's Pond when 15 town sharpshooters arrived with the small caliber arms. Halcyon was not known as the deer poaching capital of Manitoba for nothin'.

Anxious to get poor Landy back to earth as soon as possible, the marksmen all took aim in something resembling a Civil War era firing line. Unfortunately no care was taken to organize the firing sequence, and all 15 shooters opened up at once.

All 3 remaining balloons went pop, pop, and poof, and Languid Landy and his Lazy Boy dropped like a lead chesterfield into the middle of Halberston's Pond, where he was quickly retrieved by the Halcyon Fire and Rescue squad.

The North American Air Defense (NORAD) scrambled four fighters to Halcyon on Victoria Day, 1985, responding to UFO reports given by two Japan Air pilots who, on approach to Winnipeg International, had to veer their 707 to avoid Languid Landy and his Lazy Boy.

Languid Landy was a celebrity for about a week. He made The National and was invited to appear on Johnny Carson's Tonight Show.

He became a local hero, and went on to become the Mayor of Halcyon, a position he still holds.

He presides over the meetings from an old battered and weather-beaten brown leather Lazy Boy recliner.

On the desk of his office sits a plaque with a picture - one I took - of his Lazy Boy rocketing skyward.

On the plaque, - with photo-shopped arrow pointed deftly to the hugely inflated weather balloons - the simple inscription:

"The Buckshot Stops Here." □

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Dumb Criminals

Dope Sells Dope To Cops

Another Texas drug peddler tried to sell some cocaine to a couple of off-duty police officers. The cops were out of their jurisdiction at the time so they told the pusher they didn't have enough money. They asked if they could drive to their office and get some cash. The pusher agreed, so all three got into his

car and, with one of the cops at the wheel, drove to a house where the crook picked up the cocaine. The three of them then went directly to the local lockup. It was at this point the officers showed the pusher their badges. "When he realized we were at the jail, he almost passed out," one officer said.

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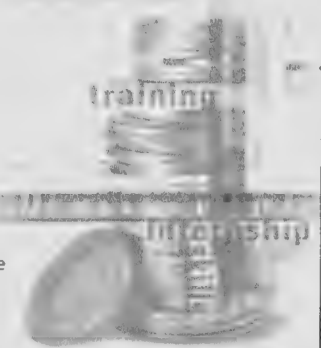
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Bad Predictions

Television

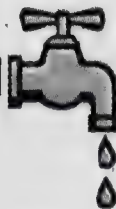
Television won't last. It's a flash in the pan. Mary Somerville, pioneer of radio educational broadcasts, 1948. Television won't last because people will soon get tired of staring at a plywood box every night. Darryl Zanuck, movie producer, 20th Century Fox, 1946. While theoretically and technically television may be feasible, commercially and financially it is an impossibility, a development of which we need waste little time dreaming. Lee DeForest, American radio pioneer and inventor of the vacuum tube, 1926.

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THE PIPE LINE

by Mark Evans



I've been reading about the creation vs. evolution debate lately and I've noticed that the creationists don't have a Plumber listed as one of the contributing experts to back up their theories. This comes as quite a surprise because I think that a distinctive line can be drawn between primitive behaviour and civility based on the availability of a flush toilet.

All the speculation and debate about us being animals or superior beings is pointless if after a great meal with the social elite you discover that your plumbing is out of order. The evolution theory doesn't stand a chance. Will the society pages report that the Duchess of Dohald was elegantly dressed and moved gracefully then used her matching Gucci stoop and scoop bag in the yard? I think not. There is an obvious difference between humans and animals.

The Astrologist and the Physicist might be unsure about our origins but the Plumber knows that humans take the distinctly human quality of waste management very seriously. Have these people even been to the zoo? I have and I've seen primates with their homemade playdoh. My studies indicate that an overwhelming majority of humans would rather flush it than create sculpture with it.

That picture of the stages of human evolution might be believable if by about the fourth stage it showed the guy holding a role of toilet paper with a crossword puzzle tucked under his arm. Lacking such illustration, it's going to be tough convincing most people that those scientists are doing any research at all.

Evolutionists may not accept my plumbing based ideas as clear evidence of divine creation, but everyone is entitled to my opinion.

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Hate Paying Income Tax?

with Susan Lee

The most expensive types of income are employment income, pension income, RSP, RIF or LIF income and interest income (such as interest on a guaranteed investment certificate, bond or bank account). Every dollar earned must be claimed on your tax return and income tax paid accordingly. In this example if you earned \$1000.00 interest income at a 46.4% tax bracket, you would pay \$464.00 in income tax.

Next is dividend income. This type of income comes from ownership of a company that pays profits out to you in the form of a dividend. You could own the shares individually like a bank share or you could own hundreds through an investment product called a Mutual Fund. A small business owner may incorporate his business (if his accountant feels it is of benefit) and split how he receives income from the business to be most tax efficient for him, such as a combination of salary and dividend income. As with most issues when dealing with Revenue Canada the calculation for how much dividend income you must claim on your tax return is not straight forward and I am not going to try and explain it in this article. In this example, approximately \$356.00 in income tax would be paid on that same \$1000.00 of income earned.

The most tax efficient type of income is capital gain. Capital gain is generated when you buy for example a bank share for \$1000.00 and later sell it for \$2000.00 because it has appreciated in value. Property is another way many generate a capital gain. With capital gains you only have to claim 50% of the income on your tax return. With a \$1000.00 capital gain, you would only pay the tax man \$232.00 (23.2% which is 1/2 of 46.4% you would pay on interest income).

The benefits of having a capital gain over the other two types of incomes above are, that you pay the least income tax on it and you only add the taxable portion (\$500.00) of the gain to the "total income" portion of your tax return unlike interest income where the whole \$1000.00 is included. All three types of income affects the "total income" portion of your tax return which can positively or negatively affect government products like OAS claw back and GST credits. The "total income" portion number is used to calculate if a person qualifies for a GST credit and it is also used to calculate the OAS claw back. The lower the "total income", the less your OAS is clawed back and the higher your GST credit could be.

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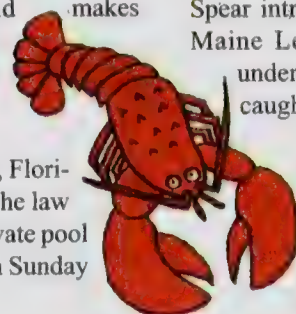
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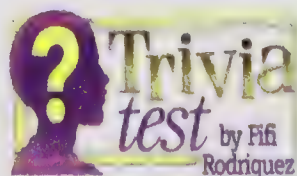
A city ordinance in Baltimore, Maryland makes it against the law to mistreat an oyster



In 1993, Representative Robert Spear introduced a bill in the Maine Legislature to allow undersized lobster that are caught to be kept as pets!

In Coral Gables, Florida, it is against the law to swim in a private pool near a church on Sunday morning!

A law in Idaho made it illegal to present someone with a box of candy that weighed over fifty pounds!



Answers to Trivia from Communicator

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6. Ursula

7. Six months

8. Spring or summer

9. George Burns

10. Ontario

1. MOVIES: "The Sound of Music" features how many von Trapp children?
2. MUSIC: Which 1970s band released the hit "Smoke on the Water"?
3. PRESIDENTS: Who was the first U.S. president to be photographed?
4. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What kind of creature would belong in the order Chelonia?
5. GEOGRAPHY: The island of Grenada is closest to the coast of which South American country?
6. TELEVISION: Who was the longtime host of "Soul Train"?
7. HISTORY: What was an oast house used for?
8. LITERATURE: What was Ernest Hemingway's first novel?
9. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: To which British queen was the Koh-i-noor diamond given?
10. GAMES: What card game is the older game of whist most akin to?

Answers on next page....

Surly



Learn A Word

\ser-le\ adj 1: irritably sullen and churlish in mood or manner: crabbed 2: menacing or threatening in appearance.

Leah almost reported the surly cashier to the store manager, but then decided he was probably just having a bad day.



Lange on the Law

Donald Lange

by **Donald J. Lange**
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The Effect of Legislation

The rule of law governs our lives and is a cornerstone of the justice system in Canada.

When the province passes legislation to change the law, the legislation cannot reach into the past and declare the law to be different from what it was. The reason for this is that it would violate the rule of law. A fundamental principle of the rule of law is that people should have advance knowledge of what the law is when making choices or making plans for the future. Thus, when legislation is passed, there is a presumption against the retroactive application of the law contained in the legislation.

An example will illustrate the presumption. The case involved an amendment to the Teachers' Pension Act in British Columbia and a challenge to the presumption by the wife of a retired teacher. In the pension legislation, teachers were entitled to choose one of four retirement plans upon retirement. The husband retired and chose the "single life" plan. This plan maximized the pension benefits to him during his lifetime but provided no survivor benefits for his wife after his death. One year prior to his death, the B.C. Legislature passed an amendment to the legislation stating that, when a teacher is married on the date the teacher chooses a retirement plan, the teacher shall be deemed to have elected that 60 per cent of the pension will be paid to the surviving spouse upon the teacher's death. The husband died the following year and the surviving wife argued in court that she was now entitled to 60 per cent of the pension because of the amendment. The court held that the husband had made his choice under the prevailing legislation at the time. The husband's pension plan and the wife's non-entitlement to it were fixed at that time until both of their deaths. To apply the amendment now for future pension entitlements to the surviving wife would be a retroactive application of the amendment. The court also reasoned: "To intercede in this scheme, by retroactively changing the election of individual retirees after payments have been made to them, would leave the plan under funded and thus destroy its actuarial integrity."

There are often exceptions in the law. If the legislation makes an express statement indicating that the legislation is intended to act retroactively, courts will conclude that the retroactive effect of the legislation was intended by the members of the Legislature who passed the new law but they will limit or minimize its operation as much as possible.

In the next column, I will be talking about a recent example of retroactive legislation.

Answers to Trivia from
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| 1. Seven | 7. Drying hops used in making |
| 2. Deep Purple | 6. Don Cornelius |
| 3. John Quincy Adams | 5. Venezuela |
| 4. Turtles, terrapins and tortoises | 10. Bridge |
| 5. Queen Victoria | |
| 6. (1926) | |
| 8. "The Sun Also Rises" | |
| beer and ale | |

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Why Not Get a Sport Court of Your Very Own?

Durable Product Can Be Used for Surfaces of Outdoor Courts, Mini Golf Greens, Decks and More

By Mark Arike

Wouldn't it be neat to be able to get a few friends together for a game of mini golf in your own backyard? Ever wonder what it would be like to shoot some hoops or have an outdoor game of tennis just steps away from your home or cottage?

Well, all you have to do is get a hold of one local man and he can turn your dreams into a reality.

His name is Robert. St. Pierre and he's the owner/operator of Lakeshore Sport Flooring. Though this is a fairly new venture for Robert – a long-time local resident who already holds down a full-time job – he's looking forward to installing the innovative and durable Sport Court flooring products that can be used for a number of different surfaces.

So what is Sport Court flooring and what makes the product so unique?

Sport Court modular flooring systems provide a safe, high performance surface that reduces shock and delivers traction. These flooring systems are made up of a concrete base and on top lies a high-impact modular polypropylene surface (a thermoplastic substance). The polypropylene squares, which can be painted with sports game lines, simply snap together to form the finished court.

Robert's brothers, Dennis and Marcel, first introduced him to the Sport Court technology about a year ago, and since then he's developed a good feel for the product.

"Dennis installs these systems in the Windsor area and Marcel does it in the London area," Robert explained. "I've been learning from them. They've been into it for about five years. Last May is when I became more serious about getting into the business: I started to install the product and developed my knowledge about the products."

Not only can this flooring system be used to create a brand new playing surface, it is also ideal for repairing a court that is starting to deteriorate.

"Over the years a tennis court can start looking pretty shabby," said Robert. "We can resurface the whole tennis court. We re-seal the court with our concrete products so that there's no moisture going in or out of the court. Then we put the plastic product on top."

He can also resurface large indoor gymnasiums in schools that are starting to wear away.

All Sport Court products have undergone rigorous internal and third-party testing to make sure that all game courts meet tough specifications. Some of the organizations that have approved and use

Sport Court flooring include: NCAA, USA Volleyball, USA Track & Field, FIBA Study Centre, and others.

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The tiles are guaranteed to last for 10 years, but Robert says there are many courts around that have stood the test of time for 30 years.

Not into sports? Not to worry. There are several other purposes that the Sport Court flooring system can be used for. Garage floors, decks and docks are all ideal projects for the materials.

The first installation that Robert completed in the county was on his own cedar deck last fall. He wanted to see how the tiles would hold-up to

the harsh elements.

"I installed it last fall to see what the snow and ice would do. It stood up wonderfully," he said, while adding that this could be a popular use of the system up in the Highlands.

"I think that is one of the smaller markets up here that it'll become popular for," he explained, "once you put this on your deck, you're done. There's no maintenance needed on the wood."

Sport Court outdoor sports surfaces are specially engineered and manufactured with UV protectants to resist color fading, and the patented open-grid design allows for quick drainage and drying after bad weather.

The tiles come in about 25 different colours, some of which include: bright blue, bright red, kiwi, sand and tennis blue.

For the past little while, Robert has been letting people know all



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about the flooring system and his intentions. So far he says he's received some excellent feedback from people in Haliburton County.

"It's been very good," he said. "People find it pretty interesting."

In addition to installing the product, Robert can also provide you with the accessories that go along with the playing area. This includes items like rebounders (used to stop pucks and balls), hoops, multi-nets and lighting.

In the future, Robert hopes to be busy enough that he will have to hire on local students to help with the installations.

To inquire about the Sport Court flooring system, or to get Robert to come out and give you an estimate, call him at 705 754-1698. You can also email him at Lakeshoresportflooring@sympatico.ca.

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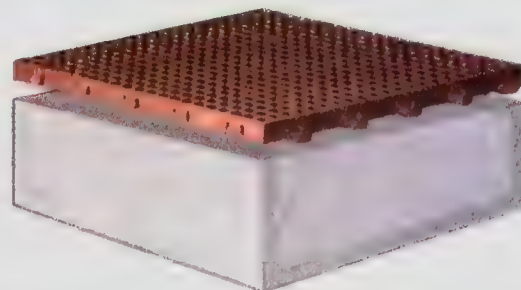
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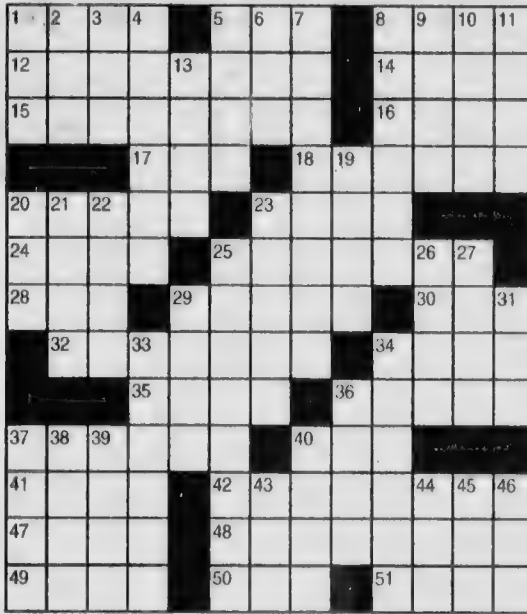
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- 16 A single time
- 17 Prompt
- 18 Semblances
- 20 Little bird's call
- 23 Despot
- 24 Pianist Dame Myra
- 25 Unknown man



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| 28 A Gershwin | snakes | shower? | 29 Tex. neighbor |
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| 32 Fastened a belt | | 19 "Death in Venice" author | 34 Finocchio |
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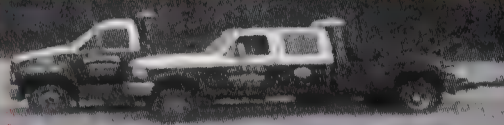
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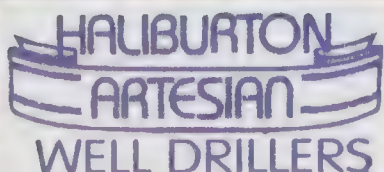
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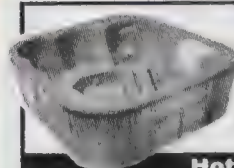
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PHOTOCOPIERS: These are female, because once turned off, it takes a while to warm them up again. They are an effective reproductive device if the right buttons are pushed, but can also wreak havoc if you push the wrong Buttons.

TIRES: Tires are male, because they go bald easily and are often over inflated.

HOT AIR BALLOONS: Also a male object, because to get them to go anywhere, you have to light a fire under their butt.

SPONGES: These are female, because they are soft, squeezable and retain water.

WEB PAGES: Female, because they're constantly being looked at and frequently getting hit on.

TRAINS: Definitely male, because they always use the same old lines for picking up people.

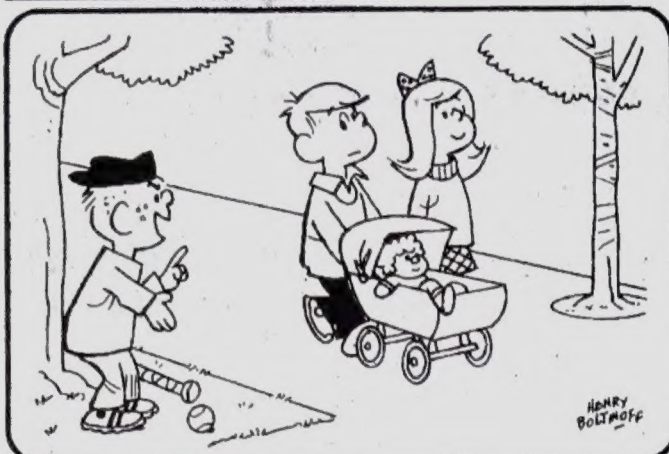
EGG TIMERS: Egg timers are female because, over time, all the weight shifts to the bottom.

HAMMERS: Male, because in the last 5000 years, they've hardly changed at all, and are occasionally handy to have around.

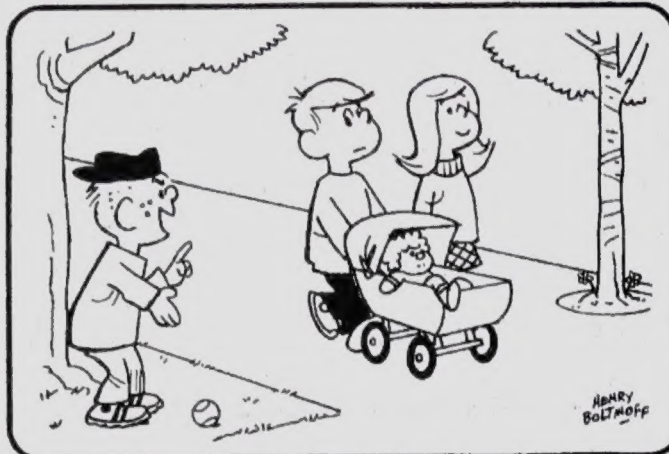
THE REMOTE CONTROL: Female. Ha! You probably thought it would be male, but consider this: It easily gives a man pleasure, he'd be lost without it, and while he doesn't always know which buttons to push, he just keeps trying

HOCUS-FOCUS

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HENRY BOLTINGOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



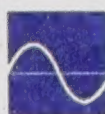
Differences: 1. Bow is missing. 2. Wheels are different. 3. Bat is gone. 4. Boy's shirt is different. 5. Flowers added near tree. 6. Tree on left is fuller.



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Strange But True

It was award-winning author Robert A. Heinlein, widely known as one of the Grand Masters of science fiction, who made the following sage observation: "Progress isn't made by early risers. It's made by lazy men trying to find easier ways to do something."

Have you ever heard of a claque? Probably not, since their effectiveness depends largely upon others not knowing they exist. A claque is a group of people who have been hired to make a show seem more successful by applauding the performers.

In ancient China it was believed that poison would cause anything made of silver to turn black -- which explains why Chinese emperors used chopsticks made of the valuable metal.

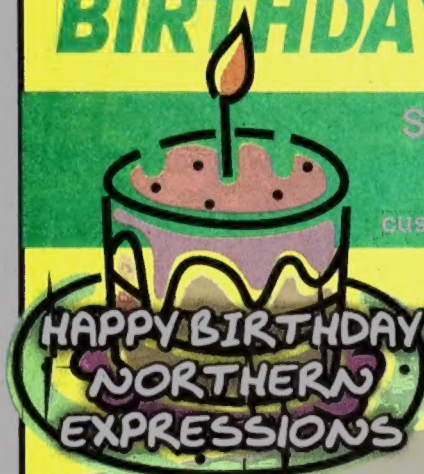
Widely reported in the media this year have been the 200th anniversary of the births of Abraham Lincoln and Charles Darwin, but there's another birthday that's gotten somewhat less press: This year Guinness turns 250. In was in 1759 that Arthur Guinness started brewing his celebrated beer -- and got a remarkably good real-estate deal, too. He signed a 9,000-year lease on the now-famous St. James's Gate Brewery in Dublin, paying 45 British pounds per year for the privilege.

As summer -- and bathing-suit season -- approaches, you might be interested to know that the most popular type of cosmetic surgery in the United States is liposuction.

Most lizards are harmless reptiles, but there are some that are known to be venomous. Rather than avoiding these rare creatures, however, there are some who seek them out for the very venom that makes them dangerous. It seems that there's a component to the venom that causes blood pressure to drop in humans, which could save thousands of lives.

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